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LIBREVILLE A-109, DECEMBER 8, 1973 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY UNABLE TO SHED ANY LIGHT ON REPORTED CONGO-BRAZZAVILLE NATIONALIZATION OF PETROLEUM TERMINAL AND MARKETING NETWORK. WE CAN, HOWEVER, SUPPLY CURRENT INFORMATION ON SOGARA REFINERY LOCATED AT PORT-GENTIL.

2. SOGARA ANNOUNCED ON NOVEMBER 29 THAT ITS REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCT PRICES WOULD BE RAISED AS OF JANUARY 1

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TO SAME LEVEL AS CURACAO EX-REFINERY PRICES. AT THAT TIME LOCAL OIL DISTRIBUTOR STATED COUNTRIES RECEIVING

SOGARA PRODUCE WOULD HAVE TO PAY INCREASED PRICES OR
LOSE SOGARA PRODUCTS.

3. SOGARA, WHICH PRODUCED ABOUT 943,000 TONS OF REFINED
PRODUCTS IN 1973, IS THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER OF
REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FOR CAMEROON, CONGO AND CAR.
CHAD ALSO RECEIVES SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE OF ITS TOTAL
REFINED PRODUCTS FROM SOGARA. RESIDUAL FUEL OIL IS SOLD TO
NORTH AFRICAN, EUROPEAN AND CURACAO CLIENTS.

4. LATEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE SHOWS SOGARA IS
OWNED BY GOG (25 PER CENT) AND FOLLOWING OIL COMPANIES:
AGIP (2.50 PER CENT), ELF (18.75 PER CENT), TOTAL
(18.75 PER CENT), MOBIL (11.66 PER CENT), SHELL
(11.39 PER CENT), TEXACO (5.60 PER CENT), PETROFINA (3.27
PER CENT), AND B.P. (3.08 PER CENT).
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